



## TOWN OF READFIELD

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### Town Manager Report

April 3, 2017

#### Administration:

- Several ordinances have been reviewed and considered for the upcoming annual Town Meeting or a future meeting. Kathryn and Chris continue to focus on the bulk of these. Standardizing, reviewing, and updating ordinances is an important activity for any municipality. Readfield will benefit greatly from improved consistency in our ordinances.

#### Solid Waste and Recycling:

- The Solid Waste and Recycling Committee met on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. They reviewed and discussed proposals for the Solid Waste Disposal RFP and recommended preferred contractors. They also discussed Transfer Station hours and recommended that we put Sunday hours in place for the summer months, preferably through a 'swap' with Tuesdays.
- Fayette will vote on their direction for the solid waste Interlocal Agreement tonight.

#### Maintenance & Infrastructure:

- Maintenance staff have spent a few days out in the field clearing culverts, minimizing driveway flow onto town roads, and working to drain standing water.
- Bruce, Anna, and I attended DigSafe training in Augusta. It was well worth the time and the training was provided for free by the utility companies.
- We received draft specification recommendations from the Maine Local Road Center. I will be working these into an RFP in April.
- Roadside brush cutting has started again.
- Hiring notices for the part-time grounds maintenance position will go out this week.

#### Personnel:

- I attended the Manager Interchange is on March 24<sup>th</sup>, which focuses on Marijuana policy issues. I left feeling the weight of what will be a significant social and administrative change; regardless of the steps we take as a Town to manage it. We have a lot of options but little information as the state continues to work out the details of the recreational marijuana program.

#### Announcements:

- Please be reminded that the Public Budget Meeting originally scheduled for April 10<sup>th</sup> has been rescheduled to April 12<sup>th</sup>. All are encouraged to attend - 6:30pm at the Town Office.